

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION

1 Davis v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc. and Turner
2 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1-00-CV-1716-CC;
3 Saengsiphon v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc. and
4 Turner Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1-00-CV-1719-CC;
5 Speight v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc. and Turner
6 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1-00-CV-1718-CC;
7 Worthen v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc. and Turner
8 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1-00-CV-1717-CC;
9 Reeves v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc. and Turner
10 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1-00-CV-1720-CC;
11 Easterling v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc. and
12 Turner Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1-00-CV-1715-CC;
13 Onoo v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc., and Turner
14 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1:00-CV-0368-CC;
15 Norris v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc., and Turner
16 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1:00-CV-0369-CC;
17 Walker v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc., and Turner
18 Sports, Inc., Civ. File No. 1:00-CV-0367-CC;
19 Patterson v. World Championship Wrestling, Inc., Turner
20 Sports, Inc. and Turner Entertainment Group, Inc.,
21 Civ. File No. 1:01-CV-1152-CC
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1 they said to do that, you know, I called them. But to
2 actually remember a time and date, no, I can't tell
3 you exactly.

4 Q Now, did you observe anything that was
5 wrong with Bobby Walker's performance?

6 A All that Bobby, I thought, needed was --
7 Bobby was real quiet. Bobby didn't say a lot. I
8 liked Bobby. I thought he was a hell of an athlete.
9 Some people got charisma and some people don't.
10 Charisma is not something that you can inject into a
11 person. They either have it or they don't.

12 And I think Bobby had potential. I think
13 he had potential. But when you are in a war, you know,
14 you ain't got time enough to -- you know, you shoot
15 live bullets now, they are shooting them back at you.
16 So you are going to go with your tested and proven --
17 you know, the guys that have already had that
18 experience and stuff on TV and however the bookers --
19 whatever they want to do with this person. But I
20 thought Bobby had potential.

21 Q Okay. So if you had to pick one aspect of
22 Bobby's that needed improvement, what would it be?

23 A Well, it wasn't nothing flashy. Bobby
24 was kind of like I was. I wasn't a real flashy guy,
25 but I did that by aggressiveness and stuff like that.

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1 Bobby had -- Bobby just needed time, experience.
2 That's basically what Bobby needed. He had the
3 training pretty much already. So just because you are
4 trained doesn't make you ready for TV.

5 Q Right.

6 A You got to go and work different places.
7 You got to get that time in.

8 Q He needed some opportunities?

9 A Let me go into it. Can I go into this
10 this way, what I want to explain to them about
11 opportunity? To get an opportunity, it's not just to
12 be on TV, because you don't want to get on TV until
13 you are really ready, because now they are watching
14 you. Now you are being dissected.

15 And what Bobby needed and all the kids,
16 not just Bobby, all of them needed to be working every
17 night in these small towns. I begged them and asked
18 them could we do that, and it just never happened,
19 because you can't take a kid, train him at the Power
20 Plant and then put him on a show and expect for him to
21 be -- it just ain't going to work. It never will till
22 this day.

23 Now what Vince is doing is he sent them
24 out to these little bitty outlaw groups, some of those
25 kids that he has like a little territory in Texas and

1 there, he sends them there. They work there for about
2 a year in these little small towns. Then he'll take
3 them and bring them when he thinks they are ready to
4 his WWF, to their show.

5 Q Okay.

6 A We didn't really have that luxury, to be
7 quite frank with you, and that's why all these kids --
8 I mean, anybody that walks through a door has
9 potential, most of them. You know what I'm saying.
10 It could be anybody, but not everybody's got charisma.
11 And they didn't really get a chance, and I say chance
12 because there was nowhere else to go to hone their
13 skills. There just wasn't. And you have to do that.

14 I didn't really start making any money
15 until after six years in the business. It takes that
16 long to understand the psychology and the rights and
17 the wrongs in a match. And it's sad, but that's the
18 truth. That's it.

19 Q Okay. How about Harrison Norris, do you
20 remember him?

21 A Yeah, Harrison, he was down -- he's been
22 down there with Jody for like over four years. And
23 they used him on TV just to, you know, to maybe put
24 somebody over, you know, something like that. And
25 they never really did anything with Harrison.